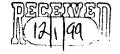


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Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter will serve as a 30 day notification pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act of 1994 that NBTY Inc. is using the following statements in LifeForce Horizons Nutricycling 12 Weight Loss System under the DEI brand name:

- Helps promote energy and fat metabolism
- Help support lean muscle mass
- Promote fluid balance
- Helps maintain water balance
- Helps satisfy hunger cravings

The above statements are accompanied by the required disclaimer pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act.

Sincerely,

Ona Scandurra, MS, RD

Director of Nutrition Communications

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